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TΙ Hormone-mediated methods for modulating expression of exogenous genes in mammalian systems using ecdysone receptor fusion proteins

SO PCT Int. Appl., 105 pp.

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IN Evans, Ronald M.; No, David AB Mammalian expression systems using a modified ecdysone receptor to regulate expression of the foreign gene from an ecdysteroid-responsive promoter are described. Modified homo- and heterodimeric ecdysone receptors, modified ecdysterone response elements, transfer vectors and transgenic animals are described. Fusion proteins of ecdysone receptors and other hormone receptors contg. the ecdysone receptor ligand-binding domain, a DNA-binding domain, and the transcription activating domain of a mammalian hormone receptor, e.g. RXR are described. The ecdysone receptor may form a heterodimer with a receptor such as RXR by incorporating the peptides needed for their specific interaction. In addn., the DNA binding domain of the ecdysone receptor may be modified to that of another steroid hormone receptor. The system is an alternative to the prior art tetracycline regulation system that uses a eukaryotic regulation mechanism and a naturally lipophilic compd. that is easier to administer than tetracycline. The system can also be optimized to avoid complications such as adventitious induction of gene expression through the farnesoid X receptor. Construction of such a system in animal cell lines is described. Induction ratios of .gtoreq.100-fold were achieved with muristerone at concns. as low as 100 nM for a .beta.-galactosidase reporter gene. Transgenic mouse lines in which T cell-specific induction

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     In accordance with the present invention, there are provided various
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TITHE DROSOPHILA ECR GENE ENCODES AN ECDYSONE RECEPTOR, A NEW MEMBER OF THE STEROID-RECEPTOR SUPERFAMILY

SO CELL, (1991) Vol. 67, No. 1, pp. 59-77.

ΑU KOELLE M R (Reprint); TALBOT W S; SEGRAVES W A; BENDER M T; CHERBAS P; HOGNESS D S

AB The steroid hormone ecdysone triggers coordinate changes in Drosophila tissue development that result in metamorphosis. To advance our understanding of the genetic regulatory hierarchies controlling this tissue response, we have isolated and characterized a gene, EcR, for a new steroid receptor homolog and have shown that it encodes an ecdysone receptor. First, EcR protein binds active ecdysteroids and is antigenically indistinguishable from the ecdysone-binding protein previously observed in extracts of Drosophila cell lines and tissues. Second, EcR protein binds DNA with high specificity at ecdysone response elements

Third, ecdysone-responsive cultured cells express EcR, whereas ecdysone-resistant cells derived from them are deficient in EcR. Expression of EcR in such resistant cells by transfection restores their ability to respond to the hormone. As expected, EcR is nuclear and found in all ecdysone target tissues examined. Furthermore, the EcR gene is expressed at each developmental stage marked by a pulse of ecdysone.

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TIECDYSTEROID-DEPENDENT REGULATION OF GENES IN MAMMALIAN-CELLS BY A DROSOPHILA ECDYSONE RECEPTOR AND CHIMERIC TRANSACTIVATORS

SO PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, (15 JUL 1992) Vol. 89, No. 14, pp. 6314-6318. ISSN: 0027-8424.

ΑIJ CHRISTOPHERSON K S; MARK M R; BAJAJ V; GODOWSKI P J (Reprint)

AB Steroid receptors are members of a large family of transcription factors whose activity is tightly regulated by the binding receptors have been exploited to obtain the regulated expression of heterologous genes in mammalian cells. However, the utility of these systems in cultured cells and transgenic animals is limited by the presence of endogenous steroids and their receptors. We show that a Drosophila ecdysone receptor can function in cultured mammalian cells as an ecdysteroid-dependent transcription factor. The activity of the ecdysone receptor was not induced by any of the mammalian steroid hormones tested. The DNA-binding and transactivation activities of viral, mammalian, or bacterial proteins were rendered ecdysteroid dependent when fused to the ligand-binding domain of the ecdysone receptor. The ecdysone receptor may prove useful in selectively regulating the expression of endogenous or heterologous genes in mammalian cells.

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- TI STRUCTURAL FEATURES CRITICAL TO THE ACTIVITY OF AN ECDYSONE RECEPTOR-BINDING SITE
- SO INSECT BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY, (JAN 1993) Vol. 23, No. 1, pp. 105-114.
  ISSN: 0965-1748.
- AU ANTONIEWSKI C (Reprint); LAVAL M; LEPESANT J A
- AΒ Two ecdysone-response elements from the hsp27 (hsp27 EcRE) and the Fbp 1 (D EcRE) genes of Drosophila melanogaster were used as probes in a gel shift assay to investigate the interactions of the ecdysone receptor (EcR) with its cognate DNA response element. The source of EcR was a nuclear extract from the late third-larval instar fat body. The hsp27 and D EcREs share a sequence similarity at 12 positions over a 15bp region including an imperfect palindromic structure consisting of two pentamer half-sites separated by a single intervening nucleotide. We have shown that a short oligonucleotide containing this 11bp imperfect palindrome of the hsp27 EcRE and three flanking bp on each side is an efficient EcR binding site. Mutational analysis confirms that the integrity of both these half-sites as well as their 1bp spacing are critical for binding of the ecdysone receptor. The D EcRE behaved as a much weaker EcR binding site than the hsp27 EcRE but a single bp substitution was sufficient to confer upon it a binding capacity equivalent to that of the hsp27 EcRE. These results have led us to propose the sequence PuG(G/T)T(C/G)A(N)TG(C/A)(C/A)(C/t)Py as a revised version of a previously proposed EcRE consensus sequence.
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- SO MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOLOGY, (JUL 1994) Vol. 14, No. 7, pp. 4465-4474. ISSN: 0270-7306.
- AU ANTONIEWSKI C; LAVAL M; DAHAN A; LEPESANT J A (Reprint)
- The transcription of the Drosophila melanogaster Fbpl gene is induced by the steroid hormone 20-hydroxyecdysone and restricted to the late-third-instar fat body tissue. In a previous study we showed that the -68 to -138 region relative to the transcription start site acts as an ecdysone-dependent third-instar fat body-specific enhancer in a transgenic assay. Here we report that seven nucleoprotein complexes are formed in vitro on this enhancer when a nuclear extract from late-third-instar fat body is used in a gel shift assay. Accurate mapping of the binding sites of the complexes revealed a remarkably symmetrical organization. Using specific antibodies, one of the complexes was identified as a heterodimer consisting of the ecdysone receptor (EcR) and Ultraspiracle (USP) proteins. The binding site

of the heterodimer as defined by mutagenesis and methylation interference experiments bears strong sequence similarity to the canonical hsp27 ecdysone response element, including an imperfect palindromic structure. The two elements diverge at three positions in both half-sites, indicating that the structure of an active EcR/USP binding site allows considerable sequence variations. In vivo footprinting experiments using ligation-mediated PCR and wild-type or ecdysteroid-deficient larvae show that occupancy of the Fbp1 EcR/USP binding site and adjacent region is dependent on a high concentration of ecdysteroids. These results provide strong evidence for a direct role of the EcR/USP heterodimer in driving gene expression in response to changes of the ecdysteroid titer during Drosophila larval development.

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co-induced from a very low baseline in CHO cells expressing the modified ecdysone receptor and the retinoid X receptor.

The expression of EGFP and lacZ from vector p2ER-EGFP/lacZ follows the same Muristerone A concn.-dependence as that of EGFP from vector pER-EGFP, indicating that the juxtaposition of the two inducible promoters in vector p2ER-EGFP/mcs does not cause cross interference between them. We suggest that this modification of the ecdysone-inducible promoter system

cassettes in tandem. Using two reporter genes, lacZ and green fluorescent protein (EGFP), we demonstrate that the expression of both genes can be

heterogeneous population in which a transgene is expressed from an

p2ER-EGFP/mcs that contains two ecdysone-inducible expression

ecdysone-inducible promoter, we have created the vector

- \*• will allow for the visual control of the induced expression of other genes by Muristerone A.
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- ΤI Adenoviral vectors and inducible expression system for gene expression and therapy
- PCT Int. Appl., 75 pp. SO
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- IN Mehtali, Majid; Sorg-guss, Tania
- The invention concerns an inducible expression system using nucleotide AΒ sequences coding for a transcriptional activator of eukaryotic or viral origin and a recombinant adenoviral vector comprising a gene of interest placed under the control of a promoter inducible in trans by said transcriptional activator. The invention also concerns a recombinant adenoviral vector bearing a first expression cassette coding for a transcriptional activator and a second cassette bearing a gene of interest placed under the control of a promoter inducible in trans by said transcriptional activator. The invention further concerns an infectious viral particle, its prepn. method, a eukaryotic cell and a pharmaceutical compn. comprising such a vector or expression system as well as their use for therapeutic or prophylactic purposes. Thus, an adenoviral vector contg. genes for glucocorticoid receptor GRDEX and for blood-coagulation factor IX regulated by GRE sequences was prepd.

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- A ligand dependent nuclear receptors transactivation system for TΙ screening insecticidal compds
- SO PCT Int. Appl., 84 pp. CODEN: PIXXD2
- IN Tran, Hiep Tuan; Askari, Hossein; Schwartz, Michael; Butt, Tauseef
- AB A yeast-based system is provided for identifying new mols. which activate nuclear receptors in a ligand-dependent fashion. A ligand dependent transactivation system for screening insecticidal compds. comprises: (a) a first DNA construct having a nucleic acid mol. encoding an altered ecdysone receptor operably linked to a promoter; (b) a second DNA construct having a nucleic acid mol. encoding a receptor, which heterodimerizes with said ecdysone receptor upon transactivation, said nucleic acid being operably

linked to a promoter; (c) a third DNA construct comprising a promoter contg. a plurality of ecdysone response

elements, said promoter being operably linked to a reporter gene; (d) a fourth DNA construct encoding a co-activator mol., said co-activator mol. being operably linked to a promoter sequence; and (e) a host cell comprising said first, second, third and fourth DNA constructs, expression of said reporter gene being dependent upon ligand dependent transactivation effectuated by said insecticidal compds. In a preferred embodiment, a method is provided utilizing ecdysone

receptor, USP and GRIP I encoding expression vectors which may be used to advantage for screening new and useful insecticidal compds., detecting insecticidal residues as well as to regulate expression of a gene of interest in a host in a ligand-dependent manner.

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        The steroid hormone ecdysone triggers coordinate changes in
     Drosophila tissue development that result in metamorphosis. To advance
     our understanding of the genetic regulatory hierarchies controlling this
     tissue response, we have isolated and characterized a gene, EcR, for a new
     steroid receptor homolog and have shown that it encodes an
     ecdysone receptor. First, EcR protein binds active
     ecdysteroids and is antigenically indistinguishable from the
     ecdysone-binding protein previously observed in extracts of
Drosophila cell lines and tissues. Second, EcR protein binds DNA with
     high specificity at ecdysone response elements. Third,
     ecdysone-responsive cultured cells express EcR, whereas
     ecdysone-resistant cells derived from them are deficient in EcR.
     Expression of EcR in such resistant cells by transfection restores their
     ability to respond to the hormone. As expected, EcR is nuclear and found
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        We have identified ecdysone-response elements (EcREs) by
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     studying regulation of the steroid-responsive Drosophila Eip28/29 gene.
     First, functional assays of deletion mutants identified large sequence
     regions required for the response; then a blotting method using the
     specifically labeled steroid receptor as probe identified
     receptor-binding regions. Three short receptor-binding
     regions near Eip28/29 have been identified: Prox and Dist ]521 and 2295
     nucleotides, respectively, downstream of the poly(A) site] are probably
     required for the Eip28/29 response in cell lines; Upstream (-440) is
     unnecessary for that response. We have also demonstrated that an
     EcRE-containing region from hsp27 contains a receptor-binding
     site. Each of these four receptor-binding regions functions as
     an EcRE when placed upstream of an ecdysone nonresponsive
     promoter and each contains an imperfect palindrome, suggesting the
     consensus 5'-RG(GT)TCANTGA(CA)CY-3'. Furthermore, a synthetic 15-bp
     fragment containing an imperfect palindrome similar to the consensus is a
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fully functional EcRE. The presence of any of the EcREs leads, in the absence of hormone, to depressed gene expression. When hormone is added,

- it relieves this repression and causes additional activation. The similarity of the EcRE sequence is response elements for estrogen, thyroid hormone, and retinoic acid **receptors** suggests that the steroid **receptors** and their signal transduction mechanisms have been strongly and broadly conserved.
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- SO PROCEEDINGS OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, (15 JUL 1992) Vol. 89, No. 14, pp. 6314-6318. ISSN: 0027-8424.
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- AU Ozyhar A; Pongs O
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- TI STRUCTURAL FEATURES CRITICAL TO THE ACTIVITY OF AN ECDYSONE RECEPTOR-BINDING SITE
- SO INSECT BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY, (JAN 1993) Vol. 23, No. 1, pp. 105-114. ISSN: 0965-1748.
- AU ANTONIEWSKI C (Reprint); LAVAL M; LEPESANT J A
- AB Two ecdysone-response elements from the hsp27 (hsp27 EcRE)

and the Fbp 1 (D EcRE) genes of Drosophila melanogaster were used as probes in a gel shift assay to investigate the interactions of the ecdysone receptor (EcR) with its cognate DNA response element. The source of EcR was a nuclear extract from the late third-larval instar fat body. The hsp27 and D EcREs share a sequence similarity at 12 positions over a 15bp region including an imperfect palindromic structure consisting of two pentamer half-sites separated by a single intervening nucleotide. We have shown that a short oligonucleotide containing this 11bp imperfect palindrome of the hsp27 EcRE and three flanking bp on each side is an efficient EcR binding site. Mutational analysis confirms that the integrity of both these half-sites as well as their 1bp spacing are critical for binding of the ecdysone receptor. The D EcRE behaved as a much weaker EcR binding site than the hsp27 EcRE but a single bp substitution was sufficient to confer upon it a binding capacity equivalent to that of the hsp27 EcRE. These results have led us to propose the sequence PuG(G/T)T(C/G)A(N)TG(C/A)(C/A) (C/t)Py as a revised version of a previously proposed EcRE consensus sequence.

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TI STEROID-HORMONE RECEPTORS - ACTIVATORS OF GENE-TRANSCRIPTION

SO JOURNAL OF PEDIATRIC ENDOCRINOLOGY, (OCT/DEC 1994) Vol. 7, No. 4, pp. 275-282.

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AU BRINKMANN A O (Reprint)

Over the past three decades, a great deal; of evidence has accumulated in favor of the hypothesis that steroid hormones act via regulation of gene expression. The action is mediated by specific nuclear receptor proteins, which belong to a superfamily of ligand-modulated transcription factors that regulate homeostasis, reproduction, development and differentiation. This family includes receptors for steroid hormones, thyroid hormones, hormonal forms of vitamin A and D, peroxisomal activators, and ecdysone.

Molecular cloning and structure/function analyses have revealed that all members of the steroid/thyroid hormone/retinoic acid **receptor** family have a similar functional domain structure: a variable N-terminal region, which is involved in modulation of gene expression; a short well-conserved DNA-binding domain, which is crucial for recognition of specific DNA sequences and for **receptor** dimerization; and a partially conserved C-terminal ligand-binding domain, which is important for hormone binding and also for **receptor** dimerization and transactivation.

In contrast to other members of the **receptor** superfamily steroid hormone **receptors** form transient complexes with several heat shock proteins. This interaction promotes proper folding and stability of the **receptor** molecule. Hormone binding induces a conformational change in the **receptor** molecule and simultaneously a dissociation of all heat shock proteins, which results in DNA-binding of the hormone-**receptor** complex.

The hormone-receptor complex can be considered as a ligand-activated transcription factor, which regulates gene expression by binding to hormone-response elements which are located usually in the 5'-flanking sequences of the target genes. Hormone response elements are 12-18 base pair DNA sequences that are partially palindromic and consist of two ''half sites'', which are separated by a variable spacer. The primary nucleotide sequence of the hormone response element as well as the orientation and the spacing between the two half-sites are crucial for the specificity of the response to various hormone-receptor complexes. The binding of nuclear hormone receptors to their hormone response elements occurs as dimers: one receptor molecule binds to each half site. Receptors enhance transcription by stabilizing general transcription factors either directly at the TATA-box or through interactions with proteins bound to upstream

promoter sequences or via interaction with transcription intermediary factors which can be considered as coupling proteins between the receptor and other protein components in the transcription initiation complex.

For all steroid **receptors**, overwhelming evidence is reported for hyperphosphorylation of the **receptor** after ligand binding. In some cases, this can result in increased transcriptional activity. Phosphorylation can increase the negative charge and acidity of a region of a protein, thereby modifying interactions with other proteins or with DNA. Hypo- and hyperphosphorylation at the same time in different regions of steroid **receptor** molecules might provide a mechanism for differential transcription regulation of certain genes, in addition to host cell and promoter context of the genes to be transcribed or repressed.

Disruption of nuclear **receptor** function is implicated in a number of hormone resistance syndromes. **Receptor** gene defects have frequently been shown to be the cause of several forms of androgen insensitivity, Vitamin D resistant forms of rickets and partial cortisol resistance.

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- AU Detera-Wadleigh, Sevilla D. (1); Fanning, Thomas G.
- AB The phylogenetic relationships of 56 nuclear hormone **receptors** from both invertebrates and vertebrates were determined by the parsimony method (PAUP). The consensus tree suggests that the ancestral gene diverged into five major subfamilies, each of which evolved into at least

- one cluster of related molecules. These subfamilies are represented by: (i) thyroid hormone receptors (TR); (ii) steroid receptors (SR); (iii) retinoic acid receptors (RAR), retinoid X receptors (RXR), and the chicken ovalbumin upstream promoter transcription factor 1 (COUP) group; (ix) peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors (PPAR); and (v) vitamin D receptor (VDR) and knirps (kni) group. Although the neighbor-joining (N-J) method clustered the receptors into a greater number of subfamilies, it was evident that the components of the terminal receptor subgroups were similar to those found in the PAUP tree. These terminal clusters might then represent phylogenetically stable relationships. The positions of some orphan receptors were perturbed when a different algorithm was employed in the analysis. Both PAUP and N-J evolutionary trees showed that the receptors within the subgroups of a major sublineage tend to recognize hormones of very similar structure. This finding suggests that the relative phylogenetic position of orphans to well-characterized receptors might be exploited to predict the type of ligand they would recognize.
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- TI CRYSTAL-STRUCTURE OF THE LIGAND-BINDING DOMAIN OF THE HUMAN NUCLEAR RECEPTOR RXR-ALPHA
- SO NATURE, '(01 JUN 1995) Vol. 375, No. 6530, pp. 377-382. ISSN: 0028-0836.
- AU BOURGUET W; RUFF M; CHAMBON P; GRONEMEYER H; MORAS D (Reprint)
- AB The crystal structure of the human retinoid-X receptor

  RXR-alpha ligand-binding domain reveals a previously undiscovered fold of
  an antiparallel alpha-helical sandwich, packed as dimeric units. Two
  helices and one loop form the homodimerization surface, and hydrophobic
  heptad repeats participate in stabilizing the fold. The existence of a
  ligand-binding pocket is proposed that would allow 9-cis retinoic acid to
  interact with different functional modules, including the AF-2 activating
  domain. Several lines of evidence indicate that the overall structure is a
  prototype fold of ligand-binding domains of nuclear receptors.
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- TI MOSQUITO ECDYSTEROID RECEPTOR ANALYSIS OF THE CDNA AND EXPRESSION DURING VITELLOGENESIS
- SO INSECT BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR BIOLOGY, (JAN 1995) Vol. 25, No. 1, pp. 19-27. ISSN: 0965-1748.
- AU CHO W L; KAPITSKAYA M Z; RAIKHEL A S (Reprint)
- AΒ An insect steroid hormone, 20-hydroxyecdysone (20E), plays an important role in regulating egg maturation in mosquitoes. To better understand its role, we cloned the cDNA coding for the putative ecdysteroid receptor from the mosquito, Aedes aegypti (AaEcR). The 4158 bp AaEcR cDNA has an open reading frame of 675 amino acids with 10 potential glycosylation sites and a putative phosphorylation polyserine domain. The AaEcR has a DNA binding domain with two zinc fingers and a ligand binding domain characteristic of members of the steroid hormone receptor superfamily. These AaEcR domains share 97 and 87% identities with the respective domains of the Drosophila ecdysteroid receptor (DmEcR). However, the A/B region of the AaEcR shares 35% identity with that of DmEcR-Bl isoform. The F region, located at the carboxyl-terminal of the AaEcR, has only 9% identity with the corresponding region of DmEcR. Potential nuclear targeting and dimerization signals are also present in the AaEcR sequence. There are three AaEcR transcripts of 4.2 kb, 6 kb and 11 kb in adult mosquitoes. 4.2 kb mRNA is predominantly expressed in female mosquitoes during vitellogenesis. In both the fat body and ovaries of the female mosquito, the level of AaEcR mRNA is high at the previtellogenic period and after the onset of vitellogenesis (6 h post blood meal, PBM).

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